# Lexington

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# Staff Update

## March 17, 2016

From the office of the Treasurer…

## All Staff

- A special welcome to our new employee, **Marqua Myers**, at the Eastern Elementary cafeteria. Welcome aboard and we look forward to working with you.

- **\*Reminder\* - The deadline to submit 2015-16 requisitions for purchase orders is April 22nd;** everything should be submitted to your principal or supervisor for end-of-year purchases.

## Levy Passed!

Thank you for your help in passing the renewal levy on March 15th!  This 10-year levy is a huge step for the continued financial stability of our District!

The strong support from our community for the students of Lexington Local Schools is extremely important, appreciated, and key to the success of our students.

## LiveHealth Online:

One often overlooked benefit available through Anthem is access to LiveHealth Online.  This feature is available 7 days a week, 24 hours per day and provides a convenient and cost-effective way to gain access to doctors, receive a diagnosis, and obtain prescriptions for basic medications.  This tool allows employees to talk to doctors through their mobile device or online by two-way video on a computer.

While the average cost for use of the tool is $49, the normal office **co-pay for visits of $10 would apply**.  When applicable, use of the LiveHealth Online tool provides for significant convenience for employees.  Additionally, the costs are significantly lower than standard doctor visits and can provide cost savings for our Employee Self Insurance Fund.

In the coming weeks, we will be providing additional information regarding the LiveHealth Online tool and will be scheduling building visits to assist employees with registration, but should you have any questions please visit livehealthonline.com or contact the Treasurer's Office.  To date, we have received very positive feedback from anyone who has used this benefit.

## *Useful?* Information:

Americans spend approximately $1.9 billion on Easter candy, which makes it the second largest candy holiday after Halloween.

## Financial Information:

*How much does that cost?*

Through conversations with some of you in my continued desire to provide useful financial information, I often hear that information regarding the overall cost of various operational areas helps to provide a better understanding of District costs and assists in providing perspective regarding these costs.  Much like our own households, it's necessary to budget and devote resources for costs like utilities, fuel, food, maintenance, etc.  The following are just a handful of these District costs:

*Electricity*
**$368,197** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$230,245** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$238,220 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*Bus Fuel*
**$118,433** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$52,376** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$82,737 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*Gas for Heat*
**$95,231** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$25,189** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$73,957 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*Water/Sewer*
**$33,324** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$26,127** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$20,843 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*Garbage Removal*
**$9,332** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$5,807** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$6,359 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*School Lunch/Breakfast Food Costs*
**$212,446** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$133,482** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$131,602 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

*General Maintenance Service/Supplies/Equipment*
**$242,736** – Total costs for the 2015 school year.

**$145,061** – Costs to date for the current school year.

**$191,775 –** Costs through this same time period last school year.

**Wishing everyone a safe, relaxing, and refreshing Spring Break and a Happy Easter!!!**